



2008 Parks & Green Spaces Levy
2012 – 2013 Opportunity Fund
Approved Criteria - 1/23/2012

1. The Levy Oversight Committee will consider equitable distribution of Opportunity Fund dollars.
2. Development projects must be on public property.
3. Projects should be of a sufficient size and nature to produce tangible parks, recreation or open space benefits. For development projects, the project allocation range is \$200,000 up to \$750,000. For acquisition projects, the project allocation is up to \$1,500,000 and should be at least 10,000 sq. ft. (approximately) in size.

- a. Does the project demonstrate a high degree of neighborhood support or involvement as demonstrated through a public review process and/or is the project consistent with approved plans, such as a neighborhood, community council or other recent planning documents?
- b. Does the project address a parks or open space deficiency (as identified in the Parks Gap Analysis) or expand an existing park site? – ACQUISITION ONLY
- c. Does the project serve an underserved community?
- d. Is the project in an area experiencing growth, particularly an urban village or urban center?
- e. Does the proposal restore or significantly extend the life of a current park or facility?
- f. Does the project provide health benefits or opportunities? (e.g. trails, bike paths, open space)
- g. Does the project take advantage of an opportunity that will be lost unless action is taken?
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- h. Does the project demonstrate new and/or creative methods to meet the community's need for parks and green spaces (sustainable energy practices, etc...)?
- i. How does the project leverage or have the potential to leverage other resources through the actions of other public agencies, funding from public, private or philanthropic partners, and/or in-kind contributions of time and energy from citizen volunteers?
- j. What potential effects does the project have on the City's maintenance and operating costs?